



## Melanie Leigh Byrne-Hamer

August 2, 1974 - February 27, 2026

Aiken, SC – Melanie Leigh Byrne-Hamer, 51, entered into rest February 27, 2026. Memorial Services will be conducted Saturday morning, March 7th 2026, at 11 o'clock at the St. Paul Methodist Church, New Ellenton, SC, with Rev. Brian Gilmer officiating. The family will receive friends at the church following the service.

Melanie was a lifelong native of Aiken, South Carolina and was a member of St. Paul Methodist Church for many years. She was a caring mother, beautiful daughter, and friend to many. Melanie cherished her friends and loved them all like family. Her smile was infectious and she showed so much compassion for others. Melanie had that rare gift of sharing her gusto and humor with everyone. Her friendship was truly a blessing and her love for her family was unconditional. Her life was short, just a blink of time but she made a huge impact on everyone.

Melanie is preceded in death by her father, Ricky William Byrne. She is survived by her three sons, Denton Hamer, Leighton Hamer, and Brighton Hamer; mother and stepfather, Melinda Brinkley (Jimmy); and brother Eric T. Brinkley (Allison).

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Paul Methodist Church, 600 Main Street South, New Ellenton, SC 29809 or the Parkinson

Foundation, [www.parkinson.org](http://www.parkinson.org)

Posey Funeral Directors of North Augusta is in charge of arrangements (803)  
278-1181.

# Previous Events

## Service

MAR 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

St Paul Methodist Church  
600 Main St S  
New Ellenton, SC 29809  
(803) 652-2547

# Tribute Wall

KP

“ *Thinking of all.*

Katrina Pound - March 06 at 08:00 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Melanie Leigh Byrne-Hamer.

March 06 at 11:53 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Melanie Leigh Byrne-Hamer.*



March 06 at 11:53 AM

SR

“ *I was 19 years old when I went to jail one night. We got 1 phone call. Jackson lines weee down that night. I was able to make another call. First number that came to mind was Melanie's. I call she accepted my call. I told her I was in jail to try and get in touch with my mom. She said you lying and hung up. Luckily I was able to call her back and she accepted my call again but didn't hang up. We have not talked for a long time but I tell everybody that story. RIP*

Shona Rich - March 05 at 07:32 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Melanie Leigh Byrne-Hamer.

March 05 at 07:09 PM



“ Sweet Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Melanie Leigh Byrne-Hamer.



March 05 at 07:09 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Melanie Leigh Byrne-Hamer.

March 05 at 05:54 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Melanie Leigh Byrne-Hamer.



March 05 at 05:54 PM

NB

“ *Melinda & Jimmy,  
We are so sorry to read about your daughter's passing. May your memories sustain you and God comfort & strengthen you in the days and months ahead. Sending our love & prayers.  
Alan & Nancy B. Bishop and  
Johnny & Jeannee Buzhardt*

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**Nancy Bishop** - March 05 at 02:01 PM

KF

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. My love, hugs, and prayers for peace for her family and anyone who had been blessed by her presence. Rest in Peace, Melanie.*

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**Kat Farris** - March 05 at 09:47 AM

CC

“ *2 files added to the album Boys*



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**Crissy Callan** - March 04 at 09:02 PM

CC

*There are no words to express how sorry I am for your loss. Melanie was a special person. To my sweet boys, I love you all and miss each and every one of you. Your Mom loved you beyond measure, you each brought her so much joy. She LOVED being your Mom. Love you all!  
Crissy Callan*

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**Crissy Callan** - March 04 at 09:09 PM

RB

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



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**Robin C BYRNE** - March 04 at 06:28 PM

RB

“ *You left your sparkle, laughter and presence everywhere you went. You loved with all you had and you will be missed. Thank you for being my precious, blond-headed, dimpled- smile first niece. You will not be forgotten.*

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**Robin C BYRNE** - March 04 at 06:11 PM